

BARRED FROM THE COMMONS

Samuel's Indian Silver Contracts Are the Cause

UNDER THE ACT OF GEORGE III.

Defense Held That Law Did Not Apply to the Colonies

London, April 12.—A profound sensation was created in the House of Commons yesterday when Sir Stuart Samuel was barred from membership in the Commons by the Privy Council because it was proved that his firm, Samuel, Montagu & Co., had engaged in the purchase of silver for the Indian government.

The British laws forbid members of Parliament from engaging in business involving government contracts. Viscount Haldane, Lord Chancellor, made the announcement of Samuel's debarment.

On November 11 last the question of Sir Stuart Samuel's retaining his seat for the Tower Hamlets division of Whitechapel was brought up in the House of Commons. Sir Stuart, whose brother, Herbert Samuel, is postmaster general in the Asquith cabinet, is a member of the banking firm of Messrs. Samuel, Montagu & Co. He was charged with violating the act of George III, which bars members of Parliament from engaging in monetary dealings where the government is involved.

A short time previously his firm had put through some purchase of silver on behalf of the Indian government to the extent of \$25,000,000 and great secrecy was maintained in the transaction. When questioned in the House of Lords, Lord Swaythling, a near relative of Sir Stuart's and brother of the under secretary for India, as well as head of the banking house of Samuel, Montagu & Co., explained that the under secretary was not a member of the firm and had nothing to do with the transaction. The reason for secrecy was, he said, that a ring had been formed in India for the purpose of "rigging" the market against the government, and it was desirable, therefore, that the purchase should be entrusted to a firm having the confidence of the government.

In the House of Commons the case of Sir Stuart Samuel was bitterly fought out by his disbarment demanded. Finally Mr. Asquith decided to submit the matter to a select committee, who would examine into the deal and report to the House. It is generally held that his offense is rather technical and unintentional, but owing to factional jealousies and the bitter controversy affecting other members of the Samuel family in the Marconi shares investigation much rancor has been shown on both sides of the discussion.

VIEW OF JAPAN.

Regarding Proposed California Legislation Made Very Plain.

Tokio, Japan, April 12.—Rui Nakano, president of the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce, yesterday paid a visit to Arthur Bailey-Blanchard, chargé d'affaires of the United States embassy, to whom he outlined the views of the Japanese business community in regard to the California land ownership bill. He requested Mr. Bailey-Blanchard to lay them before his government at Washington.

A meeting of the joint chambers of commerce of Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama and Tokio, has been summoned by M. Nakano for today to discuss the question.

A joint meeting of the Japanese political parties is being planned to discuss the situation.

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FEEL GRAVE ANXIETY IN MEXICO CAPITAL

Because of Failure of the United States to Recognize the New Government.

Mexico City, April 12.—The failure of the Washington government to accord recognition to the Huerta administration created grave anxiety in the Mexican capital, a condition which was noticeable during the last week in March, even in government circles.

Under some circumstances Washington's coolness would not have been so serious, but with the impoverished state of the national treasury known knowledge, the distant attitude of the United States, according to the views of well-informed observers, assumed almost the proportions of a national menace. Popularly it was assumed, and in high government offices it was not denied, that one little friendly nod from Uncle Sam would have rendered the work of the country's financiers who are trying to borrow 100,000,000 pesos (\$50,000,000) comparatively simple.

Even the armed enemies of the government concede that President Huerta will pursue a determined policy in restoring order, but his closest personal friends admit his job is going to be increasingly difficult unless some means can be found for replenishing the national funds. A month after Huerta was made president there was not enough money on hand to pay the expenses of the government for any but a short period. He and his counselors continued making their plans, however, on the assumption that the money necessary would be forthcoming in due time from some source or other. But it has not yet appeared, and people are now asking when it can be expected.

There is of course no denying the fact that the withholding of American recognition makes it more difficult for Mexico to borrow. Local bankers do not hesitate to declare that if the United States persists in turning her back on Mexico, money loaned to the Huerta government would be a risk not lightly to be assumed, and that the possibility of several hundred thousand dollars through false invoices in shipments of human hair, last night confessed to District Attorney Whitman, according to that official.

His confession was voluntary and without promise of immunity and District Attorney Whitman said it did not shield the father or brothers.

According to the statement, the swindle amounts to \$600,000.

CIVIL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS.

Census Bureau Receives Information From Cities Over 30,000.

Washington, D. C., April 12.—The Bureau of Census has recently completed the analysis and tabulation of data relating to the civil service examinations in the cities of the United States having a population of over 30,000. The data analyzed and tabulated were obtained by correspondence with city officials, and relate generally to city employees other than school teachers.

Letters containing inquiries relating to examination of city employees were sent to 103 cities, and answers were received from 185. In answer to the first inquiry of the letter—"Is the passing of a civil service examination required as a condition precedent to the appointment of any class of employees?"—100 cities answered "Yes," and 78 answered "No." Of the 109 cities answering "Yes," 77 required such examination as precedent to appointment in all departments or branches of the service, and 32 required it for one or more, but not for all.

A glance at the table shows that a greater relative proportion of the cities having a population of over 30,000 required examination as precedent to appointment than of the smaller cities. Taking into consideration the much larger number of positions in the larger than in the smaller cities, it becomes apparent that a very large proportion of all appointments of city employees in the United States are subject to civil service examination.

The number of employees in the city of New York at the close of the year 1911 was 52,929, and all were appointed under rules and regulations of the municipal civil service commission, with the exception of 753 who belong to the exempt class. Of the total, 29,204 were appointed as the result of a competitive class, and 263 were unclassified.

In Chicago the total number of city employees at the close of the year 1912 was 22,297. Of this number 9,860 were classified as department employees, 1,957 as skilled laborers, 2,634 as laborers—those three classes being subject to civil service rules—and 7,756 as exempt. Of this latter number, 7,134 were employed under the board of education, the great majority of whom were teachers and subject to examination by authorities other than the civil service commission.

The number of persons on the pay roll of the city of Boston April 1, 1912, was 14,235. Of this number, 10,084 were under civil service rules, the exempt employees consisting of 33,479 teachers, 690 county employees, and 102 others.

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SHOE MACHINES ON FREE LIST

Tariff Makers Get After the United Shoe Machine Co.

WILSON FIRM IN STAND ON SUGAR

He Refuses to Consider a Modification of the Schedule

Washington, April 12.—Shoe machinery, now taxed at 45 per cent, and on which a reduction to 25 per cent, was proposed by the tariff revision bill, yesterday was transferred to the free list by the Democratic caucus of the House. It was the first real break of the Democrats from the ways and means committee's schedule.

The sugar schedule will be taken up today. The Democrats met behind closed doors again yesterday, with the iron and steel tariff under consideration. Representatives Underwood and his associates, who are supporting the president's plan of a 25 per cent. reduction in the sugar duty, with free sugar in 1916, expect to carry the sugar tariff proposal through the caucus without change.

President Wilson refused yesterday to consider the modification of the sugar schedule of the Wilson-Underwood tariff bill. Col. Robert M. Ewing of New Orleans, Democratic national committeeman, from Louisiana, made a final appeal on behalf of southern cane growers to have the three year provision which provides that after that time sugar shall go on the free list eliminated. Col. Ewing told the president that he believed the sugar producers of the United States would withdraw all opposition to the reduced rates in the pending bill if the president would eliminate the three year clause.

The president listened attentively to the argument but declined to recede from his position that the party is pledged to give the people free sugar.

After Col. Ewing left former Gov. Alva Adams of Colorado made a similar plea on behalf of the beet sugar growers of his state. He told the president that the industry in his state meant about \$14,000,000 annually to the Colorado farmers, and that with sugar on the free list beet sugar factories would have to close their doors. The president suggested to his visitor that during the three-year period he was satisfied manufacturers could adjust their business so that they could compete with the foreign sugar when it came into active competition with the native article.

Study of the tariff bill continued on the Senate side, where Democrats of the finance committee have called in experts to help them analyze the House bill.

BLAMES CONGRESS FOR OLD ADMIRALS

Navy League Chairman, Col. Robert M. Thompson, Says Other Nations Appear Young Men.

Washington, April 12.—Congress stands in the way of efficient control of the navy, according to Col. Robert M. Thompson, chairman of the executive committee of the navy league of the United States.

"For some reason," said Col. Thompson at yesterday's meeting of the league, "Congress has always had a strong prejudice against giving high rank to officers in the navy. When the Spanish war broke out our entire system of promotion was ignored. Officers to command the fleet were selected even from the captain's grade, the senior officers being ignored, and Congress has persistently refused to provide for the situation which confronts it."

"Under the present law," he declared, "our admirals are too old when they reach the flag rank and they have had too little experience in command to be properly qualified for handling the fleet in time of war."

"Every maritime nation in the world except our own," he continued, "has appreciated this and the vital importance of the position of admiral and they have taken steps to secure young, vigorous and highly qualified men and to give them the necessary experience to fit them for the supreme command."

TUBERCULOSIS DECREASING.

In Many Cities Death Rate Shows Falling Off.

Paris, April 12.—Lecturing before the lyceum club of France, Professor Metchnikoff declared that tuberculosis was decreasing, and had been doing so steadily, for the last 40 years.

This satisfactory state of affairs was particularly noticeable in London, Boston, Copenhagen and Hamburg, the professor said. In the last named city the number of cases has dropped from 24 to 13 per 10,000 inhabitants in 11 years. Metchnikoff believes that the unconscious absorption of attenuated virus has a great deal to do with the immunity noticed among persons living in constant contact with centers of infection. Tuberculosis will probably disappear, he said, in the same way as leprosy, which has long ceased to be contagious. That day, however, is a long way off yet, and there is still much work to be done by scientists in the laboratory and physicians in the sick-room.

LENT \$700—GETS A MILLION.

Dr. Higley of Chicago Is Repaid for Loan Made to Froelich.

Chicago, April 12.—Dr. Edward S. Higley of the suburb of Glen Ellyn, who had no particular idea that he was casting bread upon the waters in the early eighties, lent Charles Froelich \$700 to assist him through a course in the University of Nebraska. Eight years ago Froelich, who had grown wealthy in Australia, visited his former benefactor and repaid the loan with interest compounded. Froelich died recently without heirs, and yesterday Dr. Higley learned that his fortune, approximating \$1,000,000, had been left to him.

U. S. MAY TAKE PACIFIC ROADS

Government Receivership of Merger Properties Now Seems Likely.

Washington, April 12.—There is a probability of the government taking charge of the properties of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger through a receivership if the United States court at St. Louis does not approve the new plan of dissolution, rejected by Attorney-General McKeen.

It developed yesterday that there is serious doubt among officials of the department of justice as to the power of the court to extend the time limit given by the supreme court within which to accomplish the dissolution under the Sherman law. The railroads have until May 10 to present a plan of dissolution acceptable to the court. Failing to comply with the condition, the supreme court provided for settlement of the question by government receivership.

Mr. McKeen was advised that the railroad boards to submit its plan to the court on April 21. The attorney-general will oppose its approval, though he may not go to St. Louis.

ABOLISH STRIPES AND "SOLITARY"

Indiana State Prison Warden Institutes a Merit Reward System.

Michigan City, April 12.—The "hole," otherwise known as the "solitary," and stripes have been abolished at the Indiana state prison, according to an announcement by Warden E. J. Fogarty yesterday. The prisoners in future will wear light blue and plaids. Although the changes remove the last means of punishing unruly prisoners, Warden Fogarty declares the prison "will continue to maintain its discipline."

A system of credits and merit braids has been introduced. One credit is given for each month of perfect conduct, and 12 credits win a strip of braid for the sleeve.

Warden Fogarty said the abolishing of the "solitary" and stripes put the Indiana prison ahead of any similar institution in the world.

WOMAN AND GIRL POISONED.

Bodies Found in Fire Ruins—Slain by Crazed Husband.

Paw Paw, Mich., April 12.—A coroner's jury, which investigated the deaths of Mrs. A. G. Six and her daughter, Dorothy, whose bodies were found in the ruins of their home at Lawrence, destroyed by fire Feb. 6, has returned a verdict that both women died from the effects of poison administered by Mrs. Six's husband, Dr. A. G. Six, a prominent country physician, while he was temporarily insane.

On March 11 Dr. Six committed suicide at his home in Lawrence. He left a letter in which he declared that his act was prompted by unjust suspicion directed against him in connection with the burning of his home and the finding of the bodies of his wife and daughter.

After the suicide the authorities called in experts, who examined the bodies of Mrs. and Miss Six. The coroner's jury in its findings declared it based its charges upon the testimony of the state physicians.

MOTHERS IN OHIO ASSURED PENSIONS

Greenland Bill Passes the House and Now Goes to Governor Cox, Whose Approval Is Assured.

Columbus, O., April 12.—The Greenland bill, providing for pensions for indigent mothers, an administration measure, was passed in the House yesterday, and is now before Governor Cox, whose approval is assured. The vote in the house was: Yeas, 92; nays, 4.

The bill makes provisions for an annual tax levy of one-tenth of a mill, which is expected to create a fund each year of not less than \$700,000 for the carrying out of the mothers' pension plan.

Destitute widows, women whose husbands are completely disabled, have deserted them, or are serving prison sentences are to be cared for under the provisions of the measure.

Juvenile courts are to be authorized to pay such women \$15 a month for a child under 14 years of age, and \$7 a month for each additional child under that age.

The bill makes drastic changes in the juvenile code. Under the latter as amended, boys under 14 are prohibited from selling chewing gum or newspapers on the streets.

HARTIGAN GOES TO SING SING.

First of New York Graft Ring To Be Convicted.

New York, April 12.—A certificate of reasonable doubt was denied to ex-prosecutor John J. Hartigan, the former confidential clerk of ex-inspector Sweeney, by Supreme Court Justice Platzeck Thursday, and he was taken to Sing Sing prison yesterday to begin his indeterminate sentence of two and a half to three and a half years at hard work for perjury. Hartigan is the first of the policemen caught in the Harlan graft net to take the trip "up the river."

The court order denying Hartigan's application for a writ of reasonable doubt, which, if granted, would have resulted in an indefinite stay of sentence and probable release on bill, was filed with the county clerk late Thursday afternoon. Hartigan's attorney said he would take an appeal.

Justice Platzeck said that Hartigan, in his opinion, had had a fair trial and that the records had disclosed no harmful or prejudicial errors in the exclusion or admission of testimony. Mr. Donnelly had stated in Hartigan's application that Assistant District Attorney Clark, in his opening address at the trial, had made broad statements about the "police system" which had not been proved in the course of the trial.

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LIPTON RECEIVES MESSAGE.

Greatly Pleased by Cable from Yacht Racing Association of Massachusetts.

London, April 12.—Sir Thomas Lipton is deriving great pleasure from a cablegram received by him yesterday from the Yacht Racing association of Massachusetts which reads:

The Yacht Racing association of Massachusetts applauded the sportsman-ship of your unconditional challenge. Wish you well-sailed match in 1914. (Signed) Bliss, secretary.

THOUGHT KENDALL'S MIND PERVERTED

Lewis, Stillwell Cases Witness, Admits, However, He Continued Work.

Albany, N. Y., April 12.—Senator Stephen J. Stillwell was prepared yesterday to take the stand in defense of the charges of attempted extortion preferred against him by George H. Kendall, president of the New Bank Note company.

Samuel Lewis, Jr., who was dismissed from the position of clerk of the Senate revision committee because he took a fee of \$250 from Kendall for drawing the bill forbidding the New York stock exchange to discriminate in the printing of securities, was a witness late Thursday. He denied giving Stillwell any part of the fee.

Under cross-examination by Atty. Gen. Carmody, Lewis admitted that, on March 29, he stated that Stillwell had received a portion of the money. Lewis declared that Kendall's "mysterious whisperings" when he was talking over the preliminaries incident to the drafting of the bill had convinced him he was dealing with a "perverted mind."

He admitted, however, that he continued to work "for that perverted mind."

TWO U. S. SAILORS KILLED IN MEXICO

And Three Others Were Wounded During a Street Fight at Mazatlan.

Guaymas, Sonora, Mexico, April 12.—Two sailors of the United States cruiser California were killed and three others wounded in a street fight Wednesday morning at Mazatlan, a Pacific coast port below this point. Two or three Mexican policemen were wounded in attempting to arrest the American sailors. Admiral Cowles is investigating the incident.

Washington, April 12.—William Wallace Corrie, seaman, and John Chase Keelov, two first-class master-at-arms, were the two men killed in the fight at Mazatlan. Rear Admiral Cowles reported to the navy department late yesterday by wireless via San Diego.

FIRE ON ALLIES.

Terrible Mistake of Servians at Siege of Scutari.

Cettigne, Montenegro, April 12.—The Servian troops who have been assisting the Montenegrin army in the siege of Scutari are withdrawing and marching back towards Servia.

A story is published in the Official Gazette here that the heavy Montenegrin losses sustained during the recent assault on the Tarakosch forts were due to the Servian artillery continuing to fire while the allied troops were storming the works. It is said the Servian commander forgot to give the order to cease firing.

NICHOLAS' YACHT TAKEN.

First Victim of the Blockade of Montenegro By the Powers.

Cettigne, April 12.—The first victim of the international blockade is the king of Montenegro's yacht Roumia, which was captured by a foreign warship in the waters around Antivari. The yacht was escorted three vessels loaded with flour. The blockade began at 8 o'clock Thursday morning. All ships within the blockade were allowed forty-eight hours in which to depart.

THEIR DEMANDS ARE GRANTED

The Grand Trunk Freight Handlers Are Given 25 Cents an Hour.

Portland, Me., April 12.—A strike of 189 Grand Trunk freight handlers, which began yesterday, ended last night, when their demands were granted. The men asked an eight-hour day at 25 cents an hour.

SERBIA ANGRY.

And Her People May Boycott Austrian Goods.

Belgrade, Serbia, April 12.—The chambers of commerce and industry in Serbia have declared a general boycott against Austro-Hungarian goods.

The banks here have decided to cancel the credits of merchants dealing in Austrian merchandise unless Austria promptly abandons her hostile attitude toward Servia.

Sulzer Signs Stock Bill.

Albany, N. Y., April 12.—Governor Sulzer yesterday signed the bill providing that the manipulation of securities and conspiring movements to deceive the public as to stocks and bonds shall constitute a felony. This is the second of the series of the stock exchange bills approved by the governor.

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Yesterday's American League Results.

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At St. Louis—St. Louis 8, Detroit 6. Batteries—Hamilton, Baumgartner and Agnew; Klawitter, Hall and Rondeau.

Standing of the Clubs.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
St. Louis	2	0	1.000
Philadelphia	1	0	1.000
Washington	1	0	1.000
Brooklyn	1	0	1.000
Cleveland	0	1	.000
Chicago	0	1	.000
New York	0	1	.000
Boston	0	1	.000
Detroit	0	2	.000

Yesterday's National League Results.

All games postponed on account of rain.

Standing of the Clubs.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Boston	1	0	1.000
Philadelphia	1	0	.500
Brooklyn	1	0	.500
New York	0	1	.000
Pittsburg	0	0	.000
St. Louis	0	0	.000
Chicago	0	0	.000
Cincinnati	0	0	.000

IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS

Chance and Derrick of the Highlanders may not open the season of Thursday because of injuries inflicted in the game against Brooklyn on Monday. Chance twisted his ankle turning first base and Derrick was spiked by Wheat when the latter was sliding into second base.

The Washington Americans are lamentably weak in left-handed pitchers this season. The only man with a ghost of a chance of qualifying is Roehling and if he fails to make good they will have to traverse the schedule without a south paw, unless an exorbitant price is paid for a seasoned man.

Long George McConnell, who is rated as the best hurler on the Highlanders, is going better for Frank Chance than he ever did for any of his former managers. That is the report from New York and if it is true many of the clubs may count on losing when Chance pits him against them.

Jimmy Callahan is said to have nominated Mogridge for a regular berth on the pitching staff of the White Sox. Mogridge has mastered a fast-breaking curve, which is said to be a wonder, and with it he intends to gain prominence this season.

Joe Tinker and Herrman recently clashed and the former Cub got the best of the affair, and it was pleasing to the Cincinnati owner to realize that he has at last discovered a man with will power. Tinker was ordered by Herrman to report at Cincinnati earlier than was proposed in order that they might play a team of semi-professional standing. Tinker was at Louisville with his band, preferring to remain at Louisville for practice. Tinker refused to abide by Herrman's wish by relying on his better judgment of remaining in the Kentucky.

The first triple play to be executed this season is said to have been pulled off by the Cincinnati Reds at Chattanooga. Hit and run was attempted with men on first and second. The batter lined one to Tinker, who tossed to Egan, who in turn relayed to Hobbler.

Clyde Milan of Washington, the king of base stealers in the American league, says that he does not intend to go after the league record for base pilfering this season. He realizes that promiscuous base stealing throws away many games. He says that he is for the team first.

Big Seizure of Frogs' Legs.

New York, April 12.—One hundred and ninety quarts of frogs' legs were seized in cold storage yesterday by the state conservation commission in enforcement of the new law prohibiting the handling of the same during the spawning season in April and May.



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